



Washington State Department of
Early Learning

Semi-Annual Rule-making Agenda under RCW 34.05.314
July 31, 2014 through January 30, 2015

The Department of Early Learning (DEL) prepares a semi-annual rule-making agenda in January and July each year to let the public know about DEL rule changes that are underway or planned. DEL rules are part of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and permanent DEL rules can be found online at [Title 170 WAC](#). Find current information about department rule-making activity online at [DEL Rules Under Development](#). See additional notes following the table.

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Increase base subsidy rate for all child care providers by 4 per cent in July 2014 and again in January 2015. RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC Chapter 170-290	Rule-making needed under 2014 supplemental budget (ESSB 6002) providing for a 4 percent base rate increase for licensed and exempt family child care providers in July 2014 and January 2015.	July 2014 and (planned) January 2015	WSR 13-07-051	July-August 2014	To be determined
Subsidy substantive improvements. RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC Chapter 170-290	Rule-making to improve subsidized child care continuity for families.	None	WSR 13-07-051	To be determined	To be determined

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Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) and licensing minimum standards alignment. RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC Chapters 170-100, 170-290, 170-295, 170-296A, 170-297	Rule-making to implement a single set of licensing standards for child care and the early childhood education and assistance program.	None	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined
Department of Early Learning Rules – General. RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	All chapters of Title 170	DEL may revise its rules to update, streamline, and improve efficiencies across all programs it administers.	To be determined	WSR 14-05-046	To be determined	To be determined
Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) expansion. RCW 43.215.060; 43.215.070; Chapter 43.215 RCW	Chapter 170-290 WAC; possibly 170-100, 170-295, 170-296A, and 170-297	Revising rules (potentially across multiple WAC chapters) to facilitate ECEAP expansion, under which expansion slots will be prioritized for full day services made possible by braiding ECEAP funding with Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) funding, the combined funds issued in single contracts to ECEAP contractors.	None	July 2014	September 2015	To be determined

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Subsidy technical corrections. RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC Chapter 170-290	Technical corrections to subsidy program rules.	None	WSR 13-07-051	To be determined	To be determined
Removing language in licensing WACs specifying the duration of basic state training and registry system (STARS) training RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC Chapters 170-295, 170-296A, and 170-297	Removal of language regarding duration of the training is needed because new curriculum, including provider training on safe sleep practices, is being implemented and requires more than twenty hours to complete.	July 1, 2014	July 2014	To be determined	To be determined
Adding additional means of meeting license applicant minimum education standards to family home licensing rules RCW 43.215.060; 43.215.070; Chapter 43.215 RCW	WAC 170-296A-1725	Revising family home licensing rules to allow completion of the DEL approved early childhood education initial certificate to serve as “equivalent education” for purposes of meeting license applicant minimum education standards.	May 2014	WSR 14-05-046	WSR 14-13-112	To be determined

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Early Intervention Programs RCW 43.215.060; 43.215.070; Chapter 43.215 RCW	New WAC chapter	Adopting a new DEL WAC chapter of title 170 regarding early intervention programs.	None	WSR 13-04-074	To be determined	To be determined

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CR-101 is a *Pre-proposal Statement of Inquiry* notice filed under RCW 34.05.310.

CR-102 may be a *Proposed Rule-making* notice filed under RCW 34.05.320; a continuance notice under RCW 34.05.325, or a supplemental Proposed Rule-making notice under RCW 34.05.340.

CR-103E is an emergency *Rule-Making Order* filed under RCW 34.05.350.

CR-103P is a permanent *Rule-making Order* filed under RCW 34.05.360.

CR-105 is an *Expedited Rule-making* notice filed under RCW 34.05.353.

WSR means “Washington State Register.” The *WSR numbers* noted throughout this rules agenda are the official filing numbers assigned by the Office of the Code Reviser and entered on materials filed for legal publication in the State Register.

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